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1. A membrane probing assembly comprising:
 - (a) a probe card with conductors supported thereon, wherein said conductors include at least a signal conductor located between a pair of spaced apart guard conductors;
 - (b) a membrane assembly including a membrane with contacts thereon, and supporting at least a signal conductor located between a pair of spaced apart guard conductors;
 - (c) said guard conductors of said probe card are electrically interconnected proximate the interconnection between said probe card and said membrane assembly; and
 - (d) said guard conductors of said membrane assembly are electrically interconnected proximate the interconnection between said probe card and said membrane assembly.

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